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IMPLANT MADE OF POLYETHYLENE

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE AND INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Sir:

In response to the Interview of October 16, 2006, the following is submitted:

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